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Ms. Patricia Riley Commissioner Medicaid and CHIP Payment and Access Commission 1800 M Street, N.W. Washington, DC 20036

Dear Ms. Riley:

Thank you for appearing before the Subcommittee on Health on September 11, 2015, to testify at the hearing entitled "Strengthening Medicaid Program Integrity and Closing Loopholes."

Pursuant to the Rules of the Committee on Energy and Commerce, the hearing record remains open for ten business days to permit Members to submit additional questions for the record, which are attached. The format of your responses to these questions should be as follows: (1) the name of the Member whose question you are addressing, (2) the complete text of the question you are addressing in bold, and (3) your answer to that question in plain text.

To facilitate the printing of the hearing record, please respond to these questions with a transmittal letter by the close of business on October 19, 2015. Your responses should be mailed to Graham Pittman, Legislative Clerk, Committee on Energy and Commerce, 2125 Rayburn House Office Building, Washington, DC 20515 and e-mailed in Word format to graham.pittman@mail.house.gov.

Thank you again for your time and effort preparing and delivering testimony before the Subcommittee.

Sincerely,

Joseph R. Pitts

Chairman

Subcommittee on Health

cc: The Honorable Gene Green, Ranking Member, Subcommittee on Health

Attachment

## Attachment — Additional Questions for the Record

## The Honorable Representative Bilirakis

- 1. In your testimony you alluded to the Medicaid program in the territories having different rules for eligibility and payment than in the mainland. How are the Medicaid programs in the territories different than in the 50 states?
- 2. Do the territories have the same reporting requirements that states have for their Medicaid program?
- 3. Are there other things that the territories should be providing to increase the level of transparency and accountability in their Medicaid program?
- 4. Under the ACA, the territories received a block grant of funds for usage in their Medicaid program.
  - a. Does MACPAC know what these funds have been used for?
  - b. These funds were set to expire on 2019. It is believed that Puerto Rico will exhaust their funds before that date. Has MACPAC looked at the draw down rate for these funds and dose MACPAC have any estimate on when these funds will be exhausted?
  - c. What would happen when those funds are depleted, whether it happens in 2019 or an earlier date?